

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 4, 28, 37, 58 and 59 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Please amend Claims 1, 5, 19, 22, 24, 25, 32, 33, 38, 48 and 53 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of presenting search results obtained from a search conducted over a computer network, the search being performed using searching criteria and returning information including a network location corresponding to each search result, said method comprising the steps of:
 - (a) fetching data associated with the network location corresponding to one of the search results;
 - (b) examining the fetched data to identify therein the searching criteria to provide at least one specific location within the fetched data of the searching criteria;
 - (c) using the one specific location to identify a portion of the fetched data including at least the searching criteria;
 - (d) formatting a document, said formatting comprising:
 - (da) formatting the portion including the searching criteria into the [[a]] document, to present the portion in the same manner as if presented within the entirety of the fetched data, the portion being formatted so that the searching criteria in the formatted portion becomes distinguishable in the formatted portion from other parts of the formatted portion; and
 - (db) formatting root data, which is obtained from the fetched data at a root location of the corresponding network location, into the document in association

with the formatted portion, wherein the formatted root data provides a context for the formatted portion and can be formatted independently of an entire content of the network location; and

(e) repeating steps (a) to (d) for each remaining search result in which step (d) incorporates the corresponding formatted portion into the document.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein step (d) comprises incorporating graphical separators into the formatted document to separate the portions of fetched data from different ones of the network locations.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 [[4]], wherein step (d) further comprises incorporating graphical separators into the formatted document to separate the corresponding portion from the root data of the corresponding network location.

6. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the document is formatted into a plurality of columns.

7. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, comprising the further step of:

(f) electronically displaying the document to an instigator of the search.

8. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the portion is formatted into the document in a print preview format.

9. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, comprising the further step of:

(g) printing the document.

10. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 7, comprising the further step of:

(h) printing the electronically displayed document.

11. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the fetched data is of a plurality of data types, and the formatting converts the data types into a common data type suitable for each of electronic display and printing.

12. to 18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A method of formatting an electronic document intended for reproduction by printing, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) obtaining, from a searching process, location information within a computer network of at least one search result returned by the searching process;

(b) using the location information to fetch and store document data from the computer network relating to each search result, the document data including at least a portion incorporating the searching criteria used to instigate the searching process; and

(c) formatting a printable electronic document, said formatting comprising:

(c-i) formatting the document data including at least the portion into [[a]] the printable electronic document to thereby reproduce the portion in the printable electronic document in the same manner as if presented within the entirety of the document data, wherein the document data is formatted so that the searching criteria in the formatted portion becomes distinguishable in the formatted portion from other parts of the formatted portion; and

(c-ii) formatting root data, which is obtained from the document data at a root location of the corresponding network location, into the printable electronic document in association with the formatted portion, wherein the formatted root data provides a context for the formatted portion and can be formatted independently of an entire content of the network location.

20. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 19, wherein step (b) comprises, for each search result, the sub-steps of:

(ba) using the corresponding location information to fetch and store all document data accessible for the search result;

(bb) checking the stored document data to identify the searching criteria therein; and

(bc) recording, for each identification of the searching criteria, a specific location of the searching criteria within the stored document data.

21. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 20, wherein step (b) comprises, for each search result, the further sequential step of:

(bd) discarding the stored document data for the search result where the searching criteria is not at least once identified therein in a reproducible context.

22. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, wherein step (c-i) comprises, for each search result, the sub-steps of:

(ca) identifying at least one portion of the stored document data associated with at least one reproducible occurrence of the searching criteria;

(cb) converting the identified one portion to a data format suitable for both electronic display and printing; and

(cc) incorporating the converted identified one portion into the electronic document according to a predetermined format to thereby reproduce the content and context of the searching criteria.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 22, wherein step (cii) comprises, for each search result, the further sub-steps of:

(cd) identifying an initial portion of the stored document data arranged at a root of the location information; and

(ce) converting the initial portion to the predetermined format;

wherein step (cc) comprises incorporating the converted initial portion and the converted identified one portion into the printable electronic document.

25. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for presenting search results obtained from a search conducted over a computer network, said search being performed using searching criteria and returning information including a plurality of network locations, said apparatus comprising:

means for fetching document data associated with network location corresponding to one of the search results;

means for examining said fetched data to identify therein said searching criteria to provide at least one specific location within said fetched data of said searching criteria;

means for using said one specific location to identify a portion of the fetched data including at least said searching criteria; and

means for formatting comprising first means for formatting said portion including the searching criteria into a document, to present the portion in the same manner as if presented within the entirety of the fetched data, wherein the portion is formatted so that the searching criteria in the formatted portion becomes distinguishable in the formatted

portion from other parts of the formatted portion, and second means for formatting root data, which is obtained from the fetched data at a root location of the network location, into the document in association with the formatted portion, wherein the formatted root data provides a context for the formatted portion and can be formatted independently of an entire content of the network location.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said means for formatting incorporates graphical separators into said formatted document to separate the portions of fetched data from corresponding different ones of said network locations, whereby portion is formatted into the document in a print preview format.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said document is formatted into a plurality of columns.

30. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 25, further comprising:
a display device for displaying the document to an instigator of said search;
and

a printer for printing said document.

31. (Canceled)

32. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for formatting an electronic document intended for reproduction by printing, said apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining from a searching process location information within a computer network of at least one search result returned by said searching process;

means for using said location information to fetch and store document data from said computer network relating to each said search result, said document data including at least a portion incorporating the searching criteria used to instigate said searching process; and

means for formatting in a print preview format at least the portion into a printable electronic document to thereby reproduce the portion in the printable electronic document in the same manner as if presented within the entirety of the document data, wherein the document data is formatted so that the searching criteria in the formatted portion becomes distinguishable in the formatted portion from other parts of the formatted portion, said means for formatting further formatting root data, which is obtained from the document data at a root location of the corresponding network location, into the printable electronic document in association with the formatted portion, wherein the formatted root data provides a context for the formatted portion and can be formatted independently of an entire content of the network location.

33. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium, having a program recorded thereon, where the program is configured to make a computer execute a procedure to present search results obtained from a search conducted over a computer network, said search being performed using searching criteria and returning information including network location corresponding to each search result, said program comprising:

code for fetching document data associated with the network location corresponding to one of the search results;

code for examining said fetched data to identify therein said searching criteria to provide at least one specific location within said fetched data of said searching criteria;

code for using said one specific location to identify a portion of the fetched data, including at least said searching criteria; and

code for formatting comprising:

first code for formatting said portion including the searching criteria into a document, to present the portion in the same manner as if presented within the entirety of the fetched data, wherein the portion is formatted so that the searching criteria in the formatted portion becomes distinguishable in the formatted portion from other parts of the formatted portion; and

second code for formatting root data, which is obtained from the fetched data at a root location of the corresponding network location, into the document in association with the formatted portion, wherein the formatted root data provides a context

for the formatted portion and can be formatted independently of an entire content of the network location.

34. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 33, wherein said program further comprises code for repeating operation of said program for each remaining said network location, and said code for formatting incorporates the corresponding portion into the document in a print preview format.

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 33, wherein said formatting comprises incorporating graphical separators into said formatted document to separate portions of fetched data from corresponding different ones of said network locations.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium according to claim 33 [[37]], wherein code for formatting further comprises code for incorporating graphical separators into said formatted document to separate said corresponding formatted portion from said formatted root data of one said network location.

39. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 33, wherein said document is formatted into a plurality of columns.

40. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 33, wherein said fetched data is of a plurality of data types, and said formatting converts said data types into a common data type suitable for each of electronic display and printing.

41. to 47. (Canceled)

48. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium, having a program recorded thereon, where the program is configured to make a computer execute a procedure to format an electronic document intended for reproduction by printing, said program comprising the steps of:

code for obtaining from a searching process location information within a computer network of at least one search result returned by said searching process;

code for using said location information to fetch and store document data from said computer network relating to each said search result, said document data including at least a portion incorporating searching criteria used to instigate said searching process; and

code for formatting a printable electronic document comprising:

first sub-code for formatting the document data including at least the portion into the [[a]] printable electronic document to thereby reproduce the portion in the printable electronic document in the same manner as if presented within the entirety of the document data, wherein the document data is formatted so that the searching criteria in the formatted portion becomes distinguishable in the formatted portion from another part of the formatted portion; and

second sub-code for formatting root data, which is obtained from the document data at a root location of the corresponding network location, into the document in association with the formatted portion, wherein the formatted root data provides a context for the formatted portion and can be formatted independently of an entire content of the network location.

49. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 48, wherein said code for using comprises:

sub-code for using the corresponding location information to fetch and store all document data accessible for said search result;

sub-code for checking said stored document data to identify said searching criteria therein; and

sub-code for recording, for each identification of said searching criteria, a specific location of said searching criteria within said stored document data,

each said sub-code being operable for each said search result.

50. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 49, wherein said code for using further comprises:

sub-code for discarding said stored document data for said search result where said searching criteria is not at least once identified therein in a reproducible context.

51. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 48, wherein said code for formatting comprises:

sub-code for identifying at least one portion of said stored document data associated with at least one reproducible occurrence of said ~~search~~ searching criteria;

sub-code for converting said identified one portion to a data format suitable for both electronic display and printing; and

sub-code for incorporating said converted identified one portion into said electronic document according to a predetermined format for each said search result,

each said sub-code being operable for each said search result.

52. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium according to claim 49, wherein, for each said search result, said code for formatting comprises:

sub-code for identifying at least one portion of said stored document data associated with at least one reproducible occurrence of said searching criteria using said specific location;

sub-code for converting said identified one portion to a data format suitable for both electronic display and printing; and

sub-code for incorporating said converted identified one portion into said electronic document according to a predetermined format for each said search result, each said sub-code being operable for each said search result.

53. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium according to claim 51, wherein said second sub-code for formatting further comprises:

sub-code for identifying an initial portion of said stored document data arranged at a root of said location information; and

sub-code for converting said initial portion to said predetermined format;

wherein said sub-code for incorporating is operable to incorporate said converted initial portion and said converted identified one portion into said electronic document.

54. (Previously Presented) A computer network browsing application comprising code operable to perform the method of claim 1 or claim 19.

55. (Previously Presented) A document formed according to the method of claim 1 or claim 19.

56. (Previously Presented) Apparatus configured to form a document according to claim 55.

57. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the formatting of step (d) comprises adjusting a reproducible size of the portion.

58. to 59. (Cancelled)